

Word Study: Faith

Synonym:

Confidence

Conviction

Trust

Faith: 1828 Dictionary

1. To trust; to persuade; to draw towards anything; to believe
2. To bind; fo make fast
3. Belief: the assent of the mind to the truth of what is declared by another, resting on authority and veracity, without evidence;
4. In theology, the assent of the mind or understanding to the truth of what God has revealed; of the existence, character and doctrines of Christ
5. Justifying or having the assent of the mind to the truth of divine revelation on authority of God's testimony; an entire confidence or trust in God's character and
6. declarations and in the character and doctrines of Christ

Without *faith* it is impossible to please God. **Hebrews 11:1**.

For we walk by *faith* and not by sight. **2 Corinthians 5:7**.

7. **FAITH** is an affectionate practical confidence in the testimony of God.
 8. **FAITH** is a firm, cordial belief in the veracity of God, in all the declarations of his word; or a full and affectionate confidence in the certainty of those things which God has declared, and because he has declared them.
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Faith: Pistis in Greek

1. Conviction of the truth of anything, belief, trust and holy fervor born of faith
2. The conviction that God exists and is the creator and ruler of all things, the provider and bestower of eternal salvation through Christ
3. Strong conviction that Jesus is the Messiah through whom we obtain eternal salvation
4. Assurance
5. Trust; trustworthiness

Hope:

1. to want and expect something to happen
2. one of the three Christian virtues
3. A desire of some good, accompanied with at least a slight expectation of obtaining it
4. Confidence in a future event; the highest degree of well founded expectation of good
5. to place confidence in; to trust in with confident expectation of good.

Greek: epis: hope

1. In the Christian sense the joyful and confident expectation of eternal salvation
2. Faith

Hope. It has to do with the unseen and the future,

"Hope" describes

- (a) the happy anticipation of good
- (b) the ground upon which "hope" is based, **Act 16:19**; **Col 1:27**, "Christ in you the hope of glory;"
- (c) the object upon which the "hope" is fixed, e.g., **1Ti 1:1**.

Various phrases are used with the word "hope," in Paul's Epistles and speeches:

(1) **Act 23:6**, "the hope and resurrection of the dead;" this has been regarded as a hendiadys (one by means of two), i.e., the "hope" of the resurrection; but the *kai*, "and," is epexegetic, defining the "hope," namely, the resurrection;

(3) **Gal 5:5**, "the hope of righteousness;" i.e., the believer's complete conformity to God's will, at the coming of Christ;

(4) **Col 1:23**, "the hope of the Gospel," i.e., the "hope" of the fulfillment of all the promises presented in the Gospel;

(6) **1Th 5:8**, "the hope of salvation," i.e., of the rapture of believers, to take place at the opening of the Parousia of Christ;

(10) **Act 28:20**, "the hope of Israel," i.e., the expectation of the coming of the Messiah.

"Hope" is a factor in salvation, **Rom 8:24**; it finds its expression in endurance under trial, which is the effect of waiting for the coming of Christ, and "of understanding," **Col 2:2** (RV, marg.).